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**COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir: .

The applicants sincerely appreciate allowance of their patent application. The undersigned notes that although the notice of allowance does not expressly provide reasons for allowance, the reasons for allowance are clear from the prosecution history.

For the record, applicants wish to state that claim 36 is supported by the as filed application on page 16, lines 22 through 23, and original claims 22 and 23, among other places in the as filed application.

Respectfully submitted,

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**TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

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ATTENTION: DRAWING REVIEW BRANCH

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the formal drawings (10 sheets, Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16) for the above-identified application. The Official Draftsperson is respectfully requested to approve these drawings for entry into the application.

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